

## Digital Media and Design Department

The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman
The Honorable Michael O'Rielly, Commissioner

The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner
Federal Communications Commission

455 12th Street, Southwest Washington, DC, 20544

RE: MB Docket No 05-311 In the Matter of Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992

We are writing in support of the Comments of the Cable Act Preservation Alliance ("CAPA") in the Second Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making. We oppose the tentative conclusions the FCC reaches in the proceeding because of their impacts on our community.

My public high school has partnered with our local cable access TV station for the last 8 plus years to give students training and access to broadcast television training. The resource has been invaluable and part of our schools curriculum. Our partnership with our local cable access channel has been strong and we consider them part of our educational team. Many of my students have gone on to broadcast, video, and television careers because of the opportunities provided by our cable access TV channel.

This local presence encourages viewers in our [town, city, county] to watch cable television as was intended by the 1984 Cable Act – by enhancing local voices, serving local viewers and strengthening our local democracy. By defining "in-kind" support in an overly broad fashion, the rule making will shift the fair balance between local and state authorities and cable operators and will force communities to choose between franchise fees and PEG channels which was never the intent of the Act.



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By allowing cable operators to reduce franchise fee support for local communities if they opt for local channels, the FNPRM diminishes the ability of PEG channels to serve communities such as ours. We ask that it not be adopted.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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